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House Resolution 707

By: Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Fludd of the 66th, Greene of the 149th, Lucas of the 139th, and Brooks of the 63rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. G. Duke Beasley; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. G. Duke Beasley was born on January 19, 1922, in Indianapolis, Indiana,
- 3 where he attended Crispus Attucks High School and excelled in basketball, baseball, and
- 4 track; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley earned a bachelor's degree from Wilberforce University and a
- 6 master's degree from Indiana University, and he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom
- 7 and liberty in the armed forces; and
- 8 WHEREAS, dedicated to public service, Mr. Beasley served as the first African American
- 9 Claims Deputy for the Indiana Employment Security Division, and he later moved to Ohio
- 10 with his position as Deputy Regional Director with Ohio's Civil Rights Commission where
- 11 he administered programs, policies, and procedures for the state in discrimination matters;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, during his years in Ohio, Mr. Beasley also served as president of the East
- 14 Cleveland Board of Education and was a personal consultant for East Cleveland's city
- 15 manager; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley's career eventually called him to Georgia where he was employed
- 17 with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in Atlanta, serving as
- 18 Deputy Regional Director; and
- 19 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
- and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this
- 21 state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

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WHEREAS, a man devoted to civic duty and his community, Mr. Beasley is a member of

- 23 the Urban League, the NAACP, the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, the National Association of
- 24 Human Rights Workers, the Southeastern Association of Black Federal Officials, Resurgens
- 25 Atlanta, the President's Club, and the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels; and
- 26 WHEREAS, inspired by his mother, the late Emma Ruth Beasley, and his grandfather, David
- 27 Vance, Mr. Beasley is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 28 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; by the example he has made of his life, he
- 29 makes this world a better place in which to live; and it is only fitting and proper that he be
- 30 appropriately recognized.
- 31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 32 the members of this body commend Mr. G. Duke Beasley for his efficient, effective,
- 33 unselfish, and dedicated public service and extend to him their most sincere best wishes for
- 34 continued health and happiness.
- 35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. G. Duke Beasley.